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26. A host cell comprising the vector of claim 25.
27. A host cell according to claim 26, wherein said host cell is a plant cell or a microbial cell.
28. A transgenic plant comprising at least one cell according to claim 27.--
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Remarks

By the foregoing amendments, Applicants have amended the international application to place the specification and claims into proper format for U.S. practice. New claims 25-28 were added. Support for new claims 25-28 may be found in claims 19, 20, 21 and 22 as originally filed. The amendments to claims 3-4, 7, 9-10, 13-14, 16, 18-20 and 23-24 have been made to cancel multiple dependencies. Hence, no new matter has been added by the foregoing amendments, and entry and consideration of the same are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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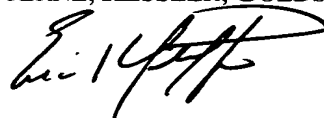
It is respectfully believed that this application is now in condition for examination.

Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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